Special Meeting - March 6, 1978.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Smiths Grove was held at the new county Fire Station, Main and Laurel, Smiths Grove, Ky. at approximately 7:30 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Carolyn Harlin, Dr. James Hill, Mr. Paul Proffit, Mr. Ieland Anderson, Mr. Appling.

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Minutes were dispensed with.

Mrs. Harlin called the meeting to order. The Water Dept. was the first order of business. Statement was read by Mrs. Harlin on the financial condition of the Water Dept. (attached) and discussion on how to take care of the bills which are due. The first thing that was discussed to be done was for LaDonna to write each creditor and tell them their bills will be taken care of. Also it was discussed to raise rates, however it was noted that several meters were dead and that they should be replaced, especially where there was a lot of water used because as it is now they are just paying the flat rate and the city is losing money on them. Mr. Bledsoe was present at the meeting and he informed the Board that he had several meters on hand that had been repaired and he was told to install as many good meters as he had. The cost of new meters run between 32.00 and 42.00. A committee was appointed to look into the Water Dept. situation and see if raising the rate was the answer. Committee: Chairman, Ieland Anderson, Paul Proffit and Bob Appling. Mrs. Harlin asked to have report on regular meeting March 28, 1978.

Fire Department: Mr. Appling reported that fire alarm system is not working. Warren Rural Electric are checking it for them. Electric brakes on fire truck are now working properly. Truck has probably not been serviced since 1975. They were told to have truck serviced and have electric brakes on fire truck fixed. The siren was not working. REA thinks it probably can be fixed. Cost for a new one is high. Suggest check with army surplus or Warren County Rescue Squad about purchase. If it could be repaired for one year then the county is going to install a new one. The Fire Dept. was asked to contact Jim Bunch of Rescue Squad and see if they can get a stand-by until theirs is repaired.

Motion made by Mr. Appling and seconded by Mr. Proffit to service the fire truck and repair brake. K. Priddy to be in charge. No dissension.

Mr. Appling was made a committee of one to look into the tax increase for a new truck that will be needed within the next few years.

Police Dept.: Mrs. Harlin read motion that was tabled at last meeting considering letting C. J. Thomas go after 30 days. Mr. Proffit discussed the financial standpoint of the police salary. Mrs. Harlin passed application for policeman from the Bowling Green Police Dept. for the Board members to read. Discussed hours of work. Should be from 4 to 10 or according to situation. C. J. Told of situation in town.

Dr. Hill q uestion. Mr. Appling asked if we are doing away with town marshall all together? No just present marshall. Mrs. Harlin had talked to city police and got advice about town marshall. A new police would have to go to Eastern for police school at cost of \$2,000.00. Getting a qualified person was discussed. Part time was discussed. C. J. Thomas handed in resignation after 30 days. The Board accepted resignation after 30 days. Dr. Hill was named chairman of committee with Robert Hunt, Kenny Priddy, L. Anderson. to set up applicants for qualified Town Marshall. Robert Hunt asked what was expected?

He was informed they should use the application from Bowling Green Police Dept. and set up guide lines. Look for someone to keep traffic under control and to have the application to review March 28th.

. Mrs. Harlin commended C. J. Thomas on job done and a letter of recommendation will be given if needed, signed by members of the Board.

Mr. Appling said the Fire Dept. should be commended on the job they are doing and give some help to them in selling smoke alarms.

The city paying for fence that C. J. Thomas wrecked his car into was discussed and motion made by Dr. Hill that city pay \$149.00 (half of damaged fence) which was C. J. Thomas part, 2nd Mr. Appling, motion carried, no disension. Discussion that it be required that the next police carry his own insurance for such damages.

Being no further business Dr. Hill made motion, seconded by Mr. Proffit meeting to be adjourned. No dissension.

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